COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

APPLICATION OF THE ATMOS ENERGY)		
CORPORATION, THROUGH ITS DIVISION,)		
WESTERN KENTUCKY GAS COMPANY OF)		
OWENSBORO, KENTUCKY, FOR AN ORDER	CASE NO.	94-072
AUTHORIZING THE CREATION AND ISSUANCE)		
OF ADDITIONAL SHARES OF COMMON STOCK)		
THROUGH A STOCK DIVIDEND NOT TO EXCEED)		
5,250,000 SHARES)		

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that Western Kentucky Gas Company ("Western"), a division of Atmos Energy Corporation ("Atmos"), shall file an original and six copies of the following information with this Commission, with a copy to all parties of record, within ten days from the date of this Order.

- 1. Does Atmos propose a stock split or a stock dividend?
- 2. Why has Atmos proposed such an issuance?
- 3. Itemize the estimated expense of the proposed issuance and distribution.
- 4. What additional obligations will be generated by the issuance?
- 5. What will be the aggregate value of stock outstanding after the issuance?
- 6. Refer to Application page 2, Atmos states that in lieu of any fractional share cash shall be paid. Clarify to whom and by whom cash will be paid.

- 7. Will any additional shares be issued for cash or other property?
- 8. Provide the journal entries for the accounting necessary to accomplish the proposed issuance.
- 9. Provide a detailed explanation for the proposed entries transferring \$0.005 per issued share from the earned surplus account to the capital surplus account. Include with this response the authoritative accounting pronouncement which justifies this proposed treatment.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 22nd day of March, 1994.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

For the Commission

ATTEST:

Executive Director